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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING AN APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE AN AIR POLLUTION-EMITTING SOURCE

**PROPOSED ACTION:** The Amalgamated Sugar Company, Paul, Idaho applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to modify its permit to construct and operate an air pollution-emitting source located at 50 S. 500 W, Paul. DEQ has determined that construction and operation according to the proposed modified permit will not cause or significantly contribute to a violation of any ambient air quality standard and will not injure or unreasonably affect human, animal life or vegetation. DEQ has reviewed the application and completed an analysis of the information submitted by the applicant for a temporary increase in steam production from the facility's boilers to process thick sugar juice. Based on this analysis, DEQ proposes to issue the modified permit to construct to The Amalgamated Sugar Company.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Notice is given that the DEQ has scheduled a period to receive public comments under Docket No. AQ - 0710, Project No. P-2007.0023. Comments will be accepted that address the proposed modified terms of this permit. They are located under the sub heading, Operating Requirements, in section 2.4 of the proposed permit in accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209. A package containing the information submitted by the applicant, DEQ's analysis, and the proposed modified permit is available for public review on DEQ's website at <a href="http://www.deq.idaho.gov">http://www.deq.idaho.gov</a>.

Anyone may submit written comment regarding the project and proposed modified permit. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include supporting materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Joan Lechtenberg, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, joan.lechtenberg@deq.idaho.gov; or at DEQ's website. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis, will be available on DEQ's website. You may elect to sign on to DEQ's list server and receive electronic information automatically at <a href="http://www.deq.idaho.gov">http://www.deq.idaho.gov</a>. If you do not have web access you may review the materials on our website at the DEQ Regional Office located at 1363 Fillmore Street, Twin Falls.

For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Bill Rogers at (208) 373-0502.

All written comment and data concerning this proposal must be directed to and  $\underline{\text{received}}$  by the undersigned on or before 5 p.m. MDT, May 7, 2007.

DATED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2007.

Joan Lechtenberg Air Quality Division